



Mayor of Providence

Jorge O. Elorza

EXECUTIVE ORDER

2020 - 12

July 1, 2020

SUPPLEMENTAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION

This Supplemental Emergency Declaration supplements Executive Order 2020-1 issued March 12, 2020, Executive Order 2020-2 issued March 16, 2020, Executive Order 2020-3 issued March 20, 2020, Executive Order 2020-4 issued March 26, 2020, Executive Order 2020-5 issued April 7, 2020, Executive Order 2020-6 issued May 6, 2020, Executive Order 2020-7 issued May 30, 2020, Executive Order 2020-9 issued June 18, 2020, and Executive Order 2020-11 issued June 26, 2020.

COVID-19 continues its impact and spread locally, nationally and internationally. For the protection of the health of the people of the City of Providence and the further prevention of the spread of COVID-19, consistent with the emergency directives of the State of Rhode Island, and pursuant to the authority vested in me by virtue of, *inter alia*, Title 30, Chapter 15 of the General Laws and Chapter 7 of the City of Providence's Code of Ordinances, I hereby order and direct the following, commencing July 1, 2020:

1. Consistent with guidelines from the State of Rhode Island, the following directives are in place with respect to gatherings in the City of Providence:

Social gatherings: Social gatherings can be no larger than 25 people indoors or 50 people outdoors. For social gatherings like weddings where there is a licensed caterer involved (which makes the setting more like a restaurant) gatherings can be as large as 50 people indoors or up to 100 people outdoors.

Public events: Public events can be up to 125 people indoors or up to 250 people outdoors. Any organizers planning to host a group of more than 100 people will need to submit plans to Commerce RI.

Indoor settings: All indoor settings operating at a square footage capacity can increase up to one person per 100 square feet, provided that everyone maintains six feet of social distance. All indoor settings currently operating at a percent capacity cap can still increase up to 66% capacity provided that everyone maintains six feet of social distance. This includes places like offices and restaurants. Seated venues can open at up to 66% capacity, and free-flowing venues can open at 100 square feet per person, provided that everyone maintains six feet of social distance.

2. All businesses, essential and nonessential, may open to the public consistent with guidelines issued per Executive Order of the Governor of the State of Rhode Island.

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Domestic travel restrictions, and quarantine requirements, shall be consistent with those issued per Executive Order of the Governor of the State of Rhode Island.

3. All outdoor athletic fields, courts, and other sports facilities (basketball, tennis, baseball, football, soccer, skate parks, etc.) will be open and available for organized youth and adult sports activities with restrictions and a permit. Activities must be limited to no-contact drills and training exercises. Waterparks will be open as of June 26, 2020. User activities should be consistent with social distancing and current group size guidelines, in accordance with RIDEM Phase III: Youth Sports Guidelines.
4. Events shall comply with all guidelines and restrictions outlined by the State of Rhode Island and by the City of Providence special event permitting process.
5. Residents are urged to continue wearing masks in all public spaces and to follow social distancing practices provided by the Governor.
6. Most city buildings shall be open to the public, in a limited capacity and subject to COVID-19 related restrictions. Certain city buildings may remain closed to the public, subject to public health guidance from the State of Rhode Island's Department of Health.
7. Nothing in this Executive Order shall constrain duties and powers of the City, the Mayor, or PEMA authorized by Title 30, Chapter 15 of the General Laws and the City of Providence's Code of Ordinances §§ 7-1 *et seq.*
8. This Executive Order shall take effect July 1, 2020, and remain in full force and effect through July 31, 2020, or until a declaration that the need for a state of emergency has abated.

So Ordered:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, consisting of stylized, overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jorge O. Elorza, *Mayor*